



DAVIS UNIVERSITY

## COURSE SYLLABUS

**HST100: HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES SINCE 1865**

**SUMMER QUARTER 2026**

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**COURSE SYLLABUS FOR:** HST100 HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES SINCE 1865

**CREDIT HOURS:** 5 CREDITS

**INSTRUCTOR:**

**INSTRUCTOR EMAIL:**

**INSTRUCTOR OFFICE HOURS:**

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** An introduction to the history of the United States from the "Reconstruction" period to the recent past. Upon completion of this course, you will have a better understanding of the historical development of America's political, diplomatic, social, cultural, and economic systems.

**TEXT:** Give Me Liberty! An American History, Eric Foner, et. al., Volume II: From 1865, (Seagull 7th Edition volume 2; 2023). ISBN 10-132404148X: [hereafter "Foner"]. Additional readings will be provided by the instructor.

**LATE WORK POLICY:** All students are expected to submit homework assignments electronically on the date specified on the syllabus. No late homework will be accepted and the student will receive a "0" (zero) for the homework assignment. Should the student refuse to complete the assigned work for the class, it could result in the student failing the class. All work assigned is expected to be completed on the date assigned. The instructor reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary. Please be sure to check your email/Moodle for any changes to the schedule.

**PLAGIARISM AND COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT POLICY:** Work that is found to be plagiarized receives a grade of zero and often causes a student to fail a class. Documentation of plagiarism is added to the student's academic file as a violation of accepted student conduct and is subject to disciplinary action. Plagiarism is the use of another person's exact words, or their ideas written in the student's words without giving the original author credit.

Plagiarism can result from any of the following:

- Quote material directly without using quotation marks.
- Paraphrase the original so that many of the phrases are the same as the original. A good rule is no more than 3 or 4 words in a row should be the same as the original.
- Copy the original sentence pattern, substitution synonyms for key words.
- Neglect to indicate the source of the original material.

**ASSESSMENTS:**

Content

Course Introduction	10%
Writing Assignment 1	20%
Midterm Exam	25%
Writing Assignment 2	20%
Final Exam	25%
Total	100%

**COURSE GRADE:**

A+ = 97%–100%	C+ = 77%–79%
A = 93%-96%	C = 73%–76%
A- = 90%–92%	C- = 70%–72%
B+ = 87%–89%	D+ = 67%–69%
B = 83%–86%	D = 63%–66%
B- = 80%–82%	D- = 60%–62%
	F = Below 60%

## TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE:

(Subject to change)

Week	Content Covered	Assignments & Assessment Due
<b>Week 1:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Course introduction</li><li>➤ Reconstruction (1865-1877)</li><li>➤ The Gilded Age (1877-1900)</li></ul>	
<b>Week 2:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ American Imperialism</li><li>➤ The Progressive Era (1900-1914)</li><li>➤ The United States in World War I (1914-1920)</li></ul>	Writing Assignment 1- Fri
<b>Week 3:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ A New Era? (1920-1929)</li><li>➤ The Great Depression and the New Deal(1929-1940)</li><li>➤ The United States in World War II (1939-1946)</li></ul>	Midterm Exam- Fri
<b>Week 4:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ The Cold War (1946-1960)</li><li>➤ The Long Sixties (1955-1979)</li></ul>	Writing Assignment 2- Fri
<b>Week 5:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Reagan America (1969-1988)</li><li>➤ Changing Global Political Realities (1989-2004)</li><li>➤ Culture Wars and Political Battles</li></ul>	Final Exam- Fri